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FOR MP3 PLAYER**

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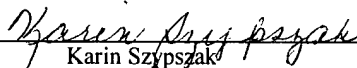
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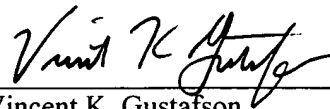
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	AX	THE INTERNET ARCHIVE / ARKON RESOURCES INC., "CD mounting kist (sic) by Arkon Resources" Web publication at <a href="http://web.archive.org/web/19991005210543/http://arkon.com/cd.html">http://web.archive.org/web/19991005210543/http://arkon.com/cd.html</a> , as archived on Oct. 5, 1999 and viewed on Aug. 25, 2005	

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	BA	ARKON RESOURCES INC., line drawing of SF345 CD-MOUNT installed in vehicle without associated CD player (undated)	
	BB	ARKON RESOURCES INC., "SOUNDFEEDER SF345 CD-MOUNT With Built-In Car Adapter," photograph of packaged product (undated)	
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	BG	THE INTERNET ARCHIVE / ARKON RESOURCES INC., "SF120 SOUNDFEEDER Wireless Audio Adapter," Web publication at <a href="http://web.archive.org/web/20010820131530/www.arkon.com/SF120.htm">http://web.archive.org/web/20010820131530/www.arkon.com/SF120.htm</a> , as archived on Aug. 20, 2001 and viewed on Nov. 15, 2005	

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